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Applicant:

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AQUEOUS COATING COMPOSITION GIVING COATINGS HAVING

IMPROVED EARLY HARDNESS AND TACK RESISTANCE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on September 21, 2001, please amend the application and consider the remarks as follows. It is believed that no additional fee is required with this submission. However, should an additional fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1868.

In the claims

15. (Twice amended) The composition of claim 1 further comprising a copolymer which comprises monomers capable of forming homopolymers [polyesters with] having high minimum film-forming temperatures and [polyesters with]monomers capable of forming homopolymers having low minimum film-forming temperatures.

16. (Twice Amended) The composition of claim 15 wherein the monomers capable of forming homopolymers having high film-forming temperatures are [temperature polyesters comprise monomers] selected from the group consisting of carboxylic acids, non-acidic monomers, fumaric anhydrides, and maleic anhydrides.

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